



The 2015
Victory Cup

Rules:

Check in at the field at first game. All teams will receive 1 dozen baseball for tournament play. Each team will need to give the umpires 2 balls at the beginning of each game. Please help with foul ball retrieval. Once teams have gone through their dozen balls, additional balls may be purchased for \$50 per dozen at War Memorial site.

Player eligibility- refer to USSSA rules. Unless modified, play will be governed by High School Federation Rules .

- Tight Schedules - please hustle on and off the fields.
- BATS - BBCOR Certified Bats Only for all age groups (14-18)!
- Regulation Game - 14U-18U = 7 innings
- Time Limit - 1 hour 45 minute time limit. No new inning begins after 1 hour, 45 minutes.
- Tie Ball Games - Games MAY end in a tie in pool play
- Teams need to be prepared to play 30 minutes before scheduled game time

Tie Breakers:

- 1) Points: 3 points will be awarded for a win, 1 point awarded for a tie, 0 points for a loss
- 2) Head to Head (2 teams only)
- 3) Runs allowed
- 4) Runs scored

Home and Visitors - Home team is determined by coin toss in pool games; higher seed will be the home team in elimination round

Mercy Rule - 14U-18U:

- 12 runs after 3 innings (or 2 1/2 innings)

- 10 runs after 4 innings (or 3 1/2 innings)
- 8 runs after 5 innings (or 4 1/2 innings)

Pitching Limits - No Pitching Rules

Pregame Infield - NO pregame infield

Forfeits - all games must start with 9 players. A game can be finished with 8 players. The player's spot who left the game will be recorded as an "out" each time in the lineup. Any team who records a "forfeit" will be eliminated from the tournament.

Field Dimensions - 60' mound, 90' bases

Courtesy Runners - can be used at anytime for the pitcher/catcher. Must be someone NOT in the current lineup. If everyone is in the lineup, the last recorded "out" can be the runner.

Batting Lineup:

EH and DH Allowed - extra hitters will be allowed. Teams must declare how many EH's at the beginning of the game. Re-entry rule applies for EH; all players can move freely in defensive positions. The starting pitcher is allowed to DH for himself. EH is considered the same as any position on the field as far as substitutions are concerned.

- Bat 9 - Re-entry rule applies
- Bat 10 - Re-entry rule applies
- Bat 9 or 10 with DH - Re-entry rule applies
- Bat entire lineup - free substitution

If batting entire lineup and an injury occurs, the injured player's spot in the lineup will be skipped without penalty. However, that player will not be allowed to finish the game. If a player is ejected, then that spot in the lineup will be counted as an "out".

Protests - Tournament Director has the final authority to settle all disputes.

Rain Policy - *If rain affects a tournament, money will be refunded if:*

- No games are played (entire tournament is rained out)--full refund
- 2 games - 50% refund.
- 3 or more games played--no refunds.

It is the team's responsibility to be aware of schedule changes! Check the website frequently!

Sportsmanship - the field director or umpire may eject any person from the site for unruly or unsportsmanlike behavior; if the person is ejected a SECOND time during the tournament--he/she will not be allowed to return for the remainder of the tournament.